## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT Continuation of U.S. Appln. No. 09/233,451

- 4. (Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor as claimed in claim 1, in which each unit layer of the solid electrolyte constituting the lamellar structure has a thickness in the range of  $0.01\text{-}5\mu m$  and a total thickness of the solid electrolyte layer is in the range of  $1\text{-}200~\mu m$ .
- 5. (Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor as claimed in claim 1, in which the solid electrolyte layer comprises a composition containing a  $\pi$ -electron conjugated polymer and/or other electrically conducting polymer.

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